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HB2060: supplemental nutrition assistance program; eligibility Sponsor: Representative Blackman, LD 6

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## Overview

Expands Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) eligibility to individuals with felony drug convictions. Requires specified individuals who are eligible for SNAP to comply with probation conditions.

## **History**

For individuals with a felony offense involving the possession or use of a controlled substance, eligibility for SNAP requires a conviction date after August 22, 1996 (A.R.S. § 46-219).

Currently, specified individuals may be eligible for SNAP if they meet at least one of the following:

- 1) Successful completion or participation in a substance abuse treatment program;
- 2) Acceptance or enrollment in a substance abuse treatment program:
- 3) An individual is determined by a licensed medical provider not to need substance abuse treatment; or
- 4) Comply with all terms of probation, as applicable.

SNAP eligibility may include frequent drug testing for offenses that occurred within 24 months of an individual's date of application (A.R.S. § 46-219).

## **Provisions**

- 1. Removes SNAP eligibility requirement that a person must agree to random drug testing. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Changes SNAP eligibility requirement from an individual with a felony drug conviction after August 22, 1996, to include any individual convicted with the specified offense. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Removes the following from SNAP eligibility requirements:
  - a) Successful completion or participation in a substance abuse treatment program;
  - b) Acceptance or enrollment in a substance abuse treatment program; or
  - c) An individual is determined by a licensed medical provider not to need substance abuse treatment. (Sec. 1)
- 4. Removes the requirement that SNAP eligibility include frequent drug testing for offenses that occurred within 24 months of an individual's date of application. (Sec. 1)
- 5. Mandates specified individuals comply with all terms of probation, including any drug testing, as applicable, to be eligible for SNAP. (Sec. 1)
- 6. Makes conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

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